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26. (U) Laws and regulations detailing FBI's authority to purchase and deploy UAVs. **Please provide a copy of FBI EC 319T-2-HQA1487668-OTD**

(U) Please see attached.

37. (U) Please provide information, documentation, COAs, E-COAs, and communication relating to any UAV deployment or request [redacted] Please confirm whether or not UAV support was requested and given [redacted]

(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ There have been no subsequent deployments, beyond those previously reported, as of [redacted] With regard to [redacted] matter, [redacted]

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Following the capture of the second subject, there was no longer a stated need for UAV support. All of these discussions were informal. No formal request for UAV support was received.

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**From:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2013 5:28 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: UAV SOP --- UNCLASSIFIED

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Let's go ahead and draft a new updated SOP and leave out [REDACTED] and any other info that is outdated.

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Thanks  
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**From:** BEAN, W L SCOTT III (OTD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2013 5:16 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)  
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Let's get a draft going under whatever file number would be appropriate now. This is not an emergency need, but rather a project someone could get started on now.

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**From:** [REDACTED] (OTD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 11, 2013 5:03 PM  
**To:** BEAN, W L SCOTT III (OTD) (FBI)  
**Subject:** UAV SOP --- UNCLASSIFIED

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Scott

I reviewed the EC re UAV SOPs. We should probably generate an updated version of it since in addition to having the wrong classification, it also has outdated information. I am not sure if we can just change the classification since it was serialized over 2 years ago.

Let me know.

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Supervisory Special Agent  
Video Surveillance Unit

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**Subject:** CPO Policy Collaboration Site for FBI Aviation Policy is available

Please review the CPO Policy Collaboration Site for the following policy: FBI Aviation Policy. Please input your comments on the collaboration/wiki page by selecting the "Discuss" or "Edit" features. Please note that you have 21 calendar days to complete this review.

To add additional reviewers during the collaboration period, go to 'FBI Aviation Policy' and select the down arrow at the bottom of the form to add an "interested user" to review the policy. Type the last name of the individual and then select "Search." Double click on the appropriate name and the email address will automatically populate the email address field. Repeat until all individuals have been added. Save the form and all assigned individuals will automatically receive email alerts to the review the assigned policy. Then, exit the screen.

Contact the Corporate Policy Office at HQ\_DIV00\_CORPORATE\_POLICY\_OFFICE or your Division Policy Officer if you have any questions.

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**To:** [REDACTED] (IR) (FBI); [REDACTED] (IR) (FBI)  
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Copy all. Thanks for the quick turnaround, [REDACTED] Much appreciated.

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Sir,

The substance and policy between the 2011 and 2013 BAR are the same. Only the format changed due to review and guidance from CPO. [REDACTED]

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Thanks,

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**From:** BEAN, W L SCOTT III (OTD) (FBI)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 10, 2013 4:10 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED] (IR) (FBI); [REDACTED] (IR) (FBI)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] (OTD)(FBI)  
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18.5.8.3.2 (U//FOUO) [REDACTED] FOR ASSESSMENTS

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(U//FOUO) In an Assessment, an FBI employee must use the FD-71 or Guardian [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FD-71, Guardian, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(U//FOUO) [REDACTED] (FD-71 or Guardian) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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in an FD-71,  
Guardian, an EC, or other appropriate form requesting ASAC approval.

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[REDACTED] The following procedures must be followed:

A) (U//FOUO) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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B) (U//FOUO) [REDACTED]

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C) (U//FOUO) [REDACTED]

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**18.5.8.3.4.3 (U//FOUO) COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING**

(U//FOUO) Authorization documents regarding the use of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] must be documented in the appropriate investigative ELSUR sub-file.

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**18.5.8.4 (U) OTHER PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE**

(U//FOUO) Physical surveillance conducted by employees, other than through use of the resources discussed above (i.e., [REDACTED], during a Predicated

Investigation does not require supervisory approval. In addition, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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4. (U) Description of the sensor package/capabilities of each UAV used for research or law enforcement purposes; please provide the information for ALL of the UAVs owned by the FBI, including any system on order. **Please respond whether or not sensor information for the [ ] is applicable to all versions of the [ ]**

(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ The current [ ] is the [ ]

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(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ The FBI currently has in its inventory a [ ] UAS. The

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11. (U) Description of the requisition and logistics process to deploy a UAV from CIRG to the field for a particular case and the command and control systems at the FBI, including internal controls policies to maintain, store, and operate UAVs. Also provide any procedures, if any, required to permanent base a UAV at a Field Division. Please provide UAV SOP EC dated 10/28/2010. **The SOP provided was dated 11/10/2011. Please confirm that this SOP is in fact the SOP dated 10/28/2010 as indicated in the first response. Please provide any policies, procedures, guidance or communication regarding maintaining, storing, and operating UAVs. Please provide any policies, procedures, guidance or communication required to permanently base a UAV at a field division.**

(U//LES) The SOP dated 10/28/2010 was a draft EC which was not officially signed and serialized until 11/10/2010. This is the only communication in addition to the Bureau Aviation Regulations (BAR) Manual that provides any policy, procedures, guidance, or communication regarding maintaining, storing, and operating UAVs.

**If no such information exists, please state so in writing.**

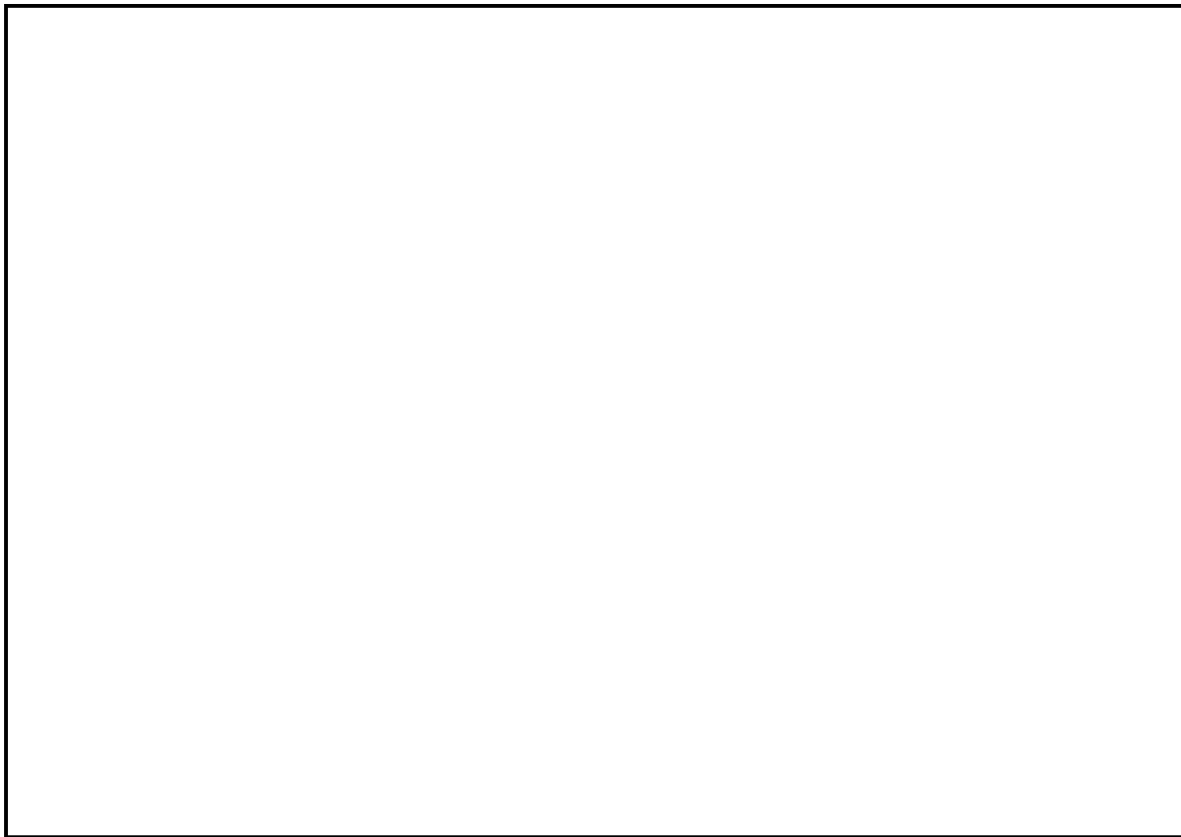
(U//LES) There is no document that provides any policy, procedures, guidance, or communication to permanently base a UAV at a field office [ ]

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14. (U) Number of FTEs dedicated to working with or using UAVs, and number of FBI personnel qualified to operate UAVs. Please provide their names and contact information. **Please provide number of FBI personnel qualified to operate UAVs. Please provide name and contact information for these personnel. Please provide what UAV role qualified for (Pilot in Command, Observer, Sensor Operator, or other role with description).**

(U//LES) The following personnel are qualified to operate FBI UAVs:



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(U//LES) Observer –

[Redacted]

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Mission Operator – (Operates computer) –

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Pilot in Command –

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

16. (U) Relevant training, conferences or certification programs taken by FBI UAV operators. Please provide copies of all certifications and entries of any relevant training recordkeeping database. **Please provide all relevant certifications and entries of any relevant training recordkeeping database for those personnel identified in tracking number 14 as qualified to operate UAV.**

(U//LES) OTD is currently in the process of obtaining SA [Redacted] pilot license. All certifications were provided in a previous response.

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21. (U) Description of the sensor package/capabilities on each UAV used primarily for national security purposes. **Satisfaction of tracking number 4 will complete this request.**

(U) Completed.

[redacted] (FBI)

**From:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 18, 2011 9:10 AM  
**To:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Subject:** RE: UAV protocols

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Understood. Better to do it once and do it right than to just slap some nonsense together.

**From:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 18, 2011 8:49 AM  
**To:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Cc:** [redacted] (FBI); [redacted] (FBI); [redacted] (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: UAV protocols

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We are not in a position to establish UAV protocols yet. Field Flight Operations Unit has a tentative plan to field the UAS [redacted] by the end of the fiscal year. They hope to establish a "train the trainer" program and certify several flight instructors by the end of February, then develop a pilot training curriculum. I'll keep you posted. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
[redacted]

**From:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 3:09 PM  
**To:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Subject:** RE: UAV protocols

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No, we don't have a UAV and won't for some time. It is still a requested service provided by the Video Surveillance Unit through the Tech Group.

[redacted] out.

**From:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 13, 2011 4:20 PM  
**To:** [redacted] (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: UAV protocols

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